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SUBJECT: [ ] Proposals for IDEALIST/TACKLE  
Missions

1. Some recent mission proposals were completed in "panic atmosphere" which hardly contributes to proper staff work. I suspect that some proposals did not fully reflect the precise concept desired by operations personnel. Anticipating the requirement for target coverage in the following listed areas, preliminary [ ] proposals will be prepared by Plans Division in coordination with other normal contributors. These preliminary proposals will be held in Plans until they are needed when they will again be coordinated for last-minute revisions.

[ ]

C. Photographic coverage of the Sino-Indian border to include [ ]

D. Photographic coverage of Indonesia to include the use of [ ] or other bases as necessary.

E. Photographic coverage of the Middle East, specifically Egypt and probably from a carrier.

F. Photographic coverage of the [ ] from a carrier.

G. Photographic coverage of Cambodia (a revision of the last [ ]).

H. [ ] mission over China using a TACKLE U-2 [ ] Possible targets are Pao Tou and Peiping, but can include any SA-2 missile site.

2. Please provide drafts of your contributions to Plans Division by 27 August 1965. For planning purposes, use the September through December time period on which to place evaluations and concepts.

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3. The air defense analysis may omit details which become pertinent only after last minute appraisal of late data unless a general evaluation can be made for the next 120 days.

4. Plans Division will arrange all drafts into proposal booklets and re-circulate them for further coordination and evaluation. In particular, concepts of operation should reflect the well-considered desires of operations personnel.



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